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THE WHITE HOUSE

WASHINGTON

Mr. President:

Here's a draft arrival statement.
I wrote it on instructions from Zbig and
Henry Owen; both of them, plus Jerry and
Blumenthal, have seen it. Jerry suggested
some cuts, marked with parentheses. Zbig
suggested some word changes, indicated in
ink, and Henry Owen suggested a few more,
marked in pencil. This is three minutes
long; Fran and Jerry cried Too Long on
hearing that.



Jim Fallows

ARRIVAL - WH

7-17-78

FAR FM HOME - 2 ISSUES

STRENGTH & FREEDOM of ALLIANCE

DEFENSE of U.S. / STRENGTH of NATO

300,000 TERRITORY - SPIRIT of FREEDOM

SPIRIT IN BERLIN

ISLAND OF LIBERTY - FRIENDSHIP

DEFINE OURSELVES. VALUES. RISKS to DEFEND

ECONOMIC SUMMIT

MORE JOBS - MKTS for GOODS -

INFLATION - OIL IMPORTS

FREEDOM IS PRICELESS

WELL BEING AT HOME =

PARTNERSHIP & ALLIES

PROUD to REPRESENT - GOOD to be HOME

PRESIDENT JIMMY CARTER
DEPARTURE REMARKS/~~ANDREWS~~ AFB
THURSDAY, JULY 13, 1978

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I LEAVE TODAY ON A JOURNEY THAT RECOGNIZES THE ECONOMIC
INTERDEPENDENCE OF THE FREE WORLD,AND, AT THE SAME TIME, AFFIRMS THE
STRENGTH AND VITALITY AND COOPERATION WE CAN BRING TO BEAR ON THE
CHALLENGES BEFORE US.

(--OVER--)(IT HAS BECOME ALMOST A CLICHÉ.....)

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IT HAS BECOME ALMOST A CLICHÉ TO SAY THE FEDERAL REPUBLIC OF
GERMANY HAS PRODUCED AN ECONOMIC MIRACLE FROM WAR'S DEVASTATION.

BUT IT IS AN ACHIEVEMENT WHICH COULD HAVE BEEN WROUGHT ONLY BY A
FREE PEOPLE UNDER A DEMOCRATIC GOVERNMENT.

IN THE UNITED STATES, DEMOCRACY RELEASED CREATIVE ENERGIES THAT
TURNED A WILDERNESS INTO A WORLD POWER.

(--NEW CARD--)(IN THE FEDERAL REPUBLIC OF..)

IN THE FEDERAL REPUBLIC OF GERMANY, THE SAME SPIRIT OF LIBERTY
AND RESPECT FOR INDIVIDUAL RIGHTS ENABLED A NATION WITH VERY LIMITED
NATURAL RESOURCES TO REBUILD AT A TIME WHEN ITS INDUSTRIAL PLANT AND A
LARGE PORTION OF MANY OF ITS CITIES HAD BEEN DESTROYED BY WAR.

THE FACT THAT EUROPE AND JAPAN TODAY ARE ECONOMIC GIANTS IS A
TRIBUTE TO THE DETERMINATION AND RESOURCEFULNESS OF THEIR PEOPLE, AND TO
THE WISDOM OF OUR DECISION TO HELP THEM.

(--OVER--)(BUT IT IS ALSO A TRIBUTE TO THE....)

BUT IT IS ALSO A TRIBUTE TO THE DYNAMIC NATURE OF THE DEMOCRATIC
SYSTEM.

THIS SUMMIT MEETING IS PART OF A CONTINUING PROCESS IN WHICH THE
LEADERS OF SEVEN INDUSTRIALIZED NATIONS -- CANADA, FRANCE, GREAT BRITAIN,
ITALY, JAPAN, WEST GERMANY, AND THE U.S. -- WORK TOGETHER ON A BROAD
RANGE OF ECONOMIC ISSUES.

(--NEW CARD--)(I LOOK FORWARD TO RENEWING)

FRIENDS, THE LEADER,
OF THE OTHER
COUNTERPARTS, NATIONS

I LOOK FORWARD TO RENEWING MY FRIENDSHIP WITH MY COUNTERPARTS,
AND TO GAINING NEW INSIGHTS FROM THEM.

TOGETHER, WE WILL SEEK TO INCREASE OUR COOPERATION WITH EACH
OTHER AND TO EXPLORE WAYS IN WHICH WE CAN BETTER AID THE LESS DEVELOPED
COUNTRIES.

WE ARE CONCERNED WITH MORE THAN JUST OUR OWN MATERIAL WELL-BEING.
HISTORY HAS TAUGHT US THE DANGERS OF ECONOMIC CHAOS AND
WIDESPREAD WANT.

(--OVER--)(WE DO NOT EXPECT TO SOLVE....)

WE DO NOT EXPECT TO SOLVE ALL THE WORLD'S ECONOMIC PROBLEMS AT
THIS MEETING, OR EVEN TO FIND PERMANENT SOLUTIONS FOR THEM.

WE DO HOPE TO MAKE GENUINE PROGRESS IN FURTHERING THE COOPERATION
AMONG THE INDUSTRIAL DEMOCRACIES THAT CAN CONTRIBUTE TO A HEALTHY AND
EXPANDING WORLD ECONOMY, FROM WHICH ALL NATIONS OF THE WORLD WILL
BENEFIT.

(--NEW CARD--)(WE UNDERTAKE THIS TRIP TO.....)

WE UNDERTAKE THIS TRIP TO EXPRESS THE VIEWS OF OUR NATION AND
TO LISTEN TO THE CONCERNS AND HOPES OF OUR ALLIES AND FRIENDS.

I GO WITH PRIDE IN WHAT MY COUNTRY HAS ACCOMPLISHED AND IN
WHAT IT STANDS FOR, AND WITH GREAT CONFIDENCE AND HOPE FOR WHAT WE
CAN ACHIEVE IN THE FUTURE.

(--OVER--)(I GO FIRST TO EXPRESS THE FRIENDSHIP...)

I GO FIRST TO EXPRESS THE FRIENDSHIP OF THE AMERICAN PEOPLE
TOWARD THE PEOPLE OF GERMANY,AND THEN WITH THE LEADERS OF GERMANY,
FRANCE, ITALY, GREAT BRITAIN, CANADA AND JAPAN TO AFFIRM OUR DESIRE
TO CREATE A BETTER WORLD.

I WILL TRY TO REPRESENT YOU WELL.

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FRIDAY, JULY 14, 1978, 3:00 P.M.

THANK YOU FOR YOUR WELCOME.

BEFORE I CAME TO BONN, I WAS WARNED THAT THREE THINGS MIGHT HAPPEN TO ME WHILE I WAS IN YOUR CITY. BUT THERE HAS BEEN NO RAIN, AS YOU CAN SEE;.... I AM NOT IN THE LEAST TIRED;....AND NO MATTER WHERE I GO, THE RAILROAD GATES ARE NEVER DOWN.

INSTEAD I HAVE SEEN A BEAUTIFUL CITY, A GREEN AND PLEASANT COMMUNITY WITH MUCH TO ADMIRE IN ITS QUALITY OF LIFE.

(--OVER--)("KUN-RAHT AHDEN-OW-ER")(Konrad Adenauer)

"KUN-RAHT AHDEN-OW-ER" (Konrad Adenauer) ALWAYS SAID HE CHOSE BONN AS CAPITAL OF THE FEDERAL REPUBLIC BECAUSE, IN ADDITION TO HIS LOVE FOR ROSES, HE KNEW DEMOCRACY COULD REACH ITS FULLEST FLOWER IN THIS SERENE AND GENTLE TOWN ALONG THE BANKS OF THE "RINE". (Rhine.)

DESPITE ALL THE CHANGES YOU HAVE UNDERGONE, YOU HAVE KEPT THAT SERENITY AND CHARM.

WHEN I SIGNED YOUR GOLDEN BOOK A FEW MOMENTS AGO, I WAS SURROUNDED BY REMINDERS OF YOUR HISTORY. AND I AM HONORED, AS I STAND HERE, TO THINK OF THE HISTORY THAT HAS TAKEN PLACE ON THESE VERY STEPS.

MANY DISTINGUISHED VISITORS HAVE SPOKEN HERE, AMONG THEM PRESIDENT DE GAULLE AND OUR OWN PRESIDENT KENNEDY.

(-NEW CARD-)(BUT EVEN MORE IMPORTANT ARE...

BUT EVEN MORE IMPORTANT ARE THOSE WHO SPOKE TO YOU NOT AS STRANGERS, BUT AS PRODUCTS OF THE SOIL AND SOUL OF GERMANY.

WHEN "PROFESSOR GUT-FREET KINKLE" (Gotfried Kinkel) PROCLAIMED THE IDEALS OF 1848 FROM THESE STEPS, ONE OF HIS LISTENERS WAS A YOUNG MAN DESTINED TO BE KNOWN EQUALLY WELL TO AMERICANS AND TO GERMANS: "CARL SHOORTS" (Carl Schurz), THE GREAT GERMAN-AMERICAN REFORMER.

A CENTURY LATER, WHEN "PRESIDENT HOICE" (Heuss) SPOKE TO YOU HERE ON THE NIGHT OF HIS ELECTION IN 1949, NOT MANY IN HIS AUDIENCE REALIZED THEY WERE LIVING AT THE DAWN OF AN ERA WHEN GERMANY AND AMERICAN WOULD BECOME THE CLOSEST OF PARTNERS IN A GLOBAL EFFORT TO SECURE PEACE, FREEDOM, AND STABILITY FOR MANKIND.

(--OVER--)(BUT THAT IS PRECISELY.....)

BUT THAT IS PRECISELY WHAT HAS OCCURRED.

TODAY THE FEDERAL REPUBLIC AND THE UNITED STATES SHARE VAST RESPONSIBILITIES AND SIMILAR INTERESTS, AND BONN HAS TAKEN ITS PLACE AS THE CAPITAL OF ONE OF OUR MOST IMPORTANT ALLIES.

OUR SECURITY IS YOUR SECURITY, AND YOURS IS OURS: THAT IS WHY THE UNITED STATES IS INCREASING ITS COMMITMENT TO NATO AND WILL HELP TO DEFEND YOUR LAND AS IF IT WERE OUR OWN.

THE FEDERAL REPUBLIC AND THE UNITED STATES ALSO SHARE AN ATTITUDE AND A SENSE OF DUTY TOWARD EUROPE AND THE WORLD.

MANY YEARS AGO, "CARL SHOORTS" (Carl Schurz), WHO TOOK SO MUCH OF HIS GUIDANCE FROM THIS CITY, SAID SOMETHING VERY WISE TO US, HIS ADOPTED PEOPLE.

(--NEW CARD--)("THE GENUINE AMERICA,".....)

"THE GENUINE AMERICAN," HE SAID, "MUST BE A CREATIVE WORLD CITIZEN."

TODAY BOTH AMERICANS AND GERMANS ARE CREATIVE WORLD CITIZENS,
STRIVING TOGETHER TO HELP OTHER REGIONS OF THE WORLD ACHIEVE ECONOMIC
WELL-BEING AND STABILITY.

AND OF COURSE OUR TWO NATIONS SHARE A FUNDAMENTAL FAITH IN THE SAME
VALUES -- THE VALUES OF FREEDOM,...OF HUMAN RIGHTS,...OF ECONOMIC LIBERTY,...
AND THE CONVICTION THAT EACH PERSON SHOULD BE ABLE TO DEVELOP ONE'S OWN
LIFE FULLY AND CREATIVELY, SECURE FROM FOREIGN OPPRESSION OR DOMESTIC
DISORDER.

(--OVER--)(AT A TIME WHEN THE ENEMIES.....)

AT A TIME WHEN THE ENEMIES OF DEMOCRACY SEEM DETERMINED TO TEST
US, WE ARE PREPARED TO MAINTAIN OUR STRENGTH BECAUSE WE KNOW THAT DEMOCRACY
IS THE MOST EFFECTIVE MEANS OF SOLVING PROBLEMS AND MEETING THE NEEDS OF
OUR PEOPLE.

YOU, AS CITIZENS OF THE CAPITAL OF ONE GREAT DEMOCRATIC NATION,...AND
I AS A CITIZEN OF THE CAPITAL OF ANOTHER,...HAVE THIS FAITH IN COMMON.

✓ WE UNDERSTAND AND SHARE YOUR ASPIRATIONS FOR PEACEFUL REUNIFICATION.

AS ALLIES,...AS CITIZENS OF THE WORLD,...AS BELIEVERS IN FREEDOM
AND DEMOCRATIC GOVERNMENT, GERMANS AND AMERICANS ALSO SHARE AN AWARENESS
OF THE INTERDEPENDENCE OF ALL PEOPLE, EVERYWHERE.

(--NEW CARD--)(AS I LOOK AROUND THIS.....)

AS I LOOK AROUND THIS "MARKT-PLAHTZ" (Marktplatz) TODAY, I AM CONSCIOUS NOT ONLY OF ITS PURELY GERMAN HISTORY -- THIS GRACIOUS ROCOCO BUILDING BEHIND ME;....THIS ONE TO MY RIGHT, RESTORED FROM THE FOURTEENTH CENTURY;....THE GREAT UNIVERSITY TO MY LEFT;....THE SPIRES OF THE CHURCH ABOVE THE ROOFTOPS -- BUT I AM ALSO CONSCIOUS OF ITS PRESENT REALITY: THE RESTAURANT FROM CHINA,....THE AMERICAN CAMERA STORE,....THE SHOPS FILLED WITH PRODUCTS FROM FRANCE AND SCANDINAVIA AND SO MANY OTHER NATIONS OF EUROPE AND THE WORLD.

ALL OF THESE ARE REMINDERS OF HOW CLOSELY LINKED HAVE BECOME THE LIVES OF THE PEOPLE OF OUR PLANET.

(--OVER--)(THE POINT IS THAT OVER THE.....)

THE POINT IS THAT OVER THE PAST FEW GENERATIONS, RELATIONS AMONG US HAVE BECOME THE PROVINCE NOT ONLY OF GOVERNMENTS BUT OF OUR PEOPLE THEMSELVES.

AS THE WORLD'S PEOPLE SPEAK AND WORK AND LIVE TOGETHER, WE ALL COULD WELL REMEMBER THE POEM OF "SHILLER" (Schiller), IMMORTALLY PUT TO MUSIC BY THE GREAT BEETHOVEN, A SON OF BONN, "THE ODE TO JOY":

"OLLA MEN-SHEN VAIRDEN BREEDER,"

"VOH DINE ZAHNF-TER FLEW-GEL VIAL-T"

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(Alle Menschen werden Bruder
Wo dein sanfter Flugel weilt.)

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~~(NEW CARD) ("IT IS CAN REPEATED AT OUR...")~~

(END)

SATURDAY, JULY 15, 1978

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MR. MAYOR, MEMBERS OF THE CITY COUNCIL, LADIES AND GENTLEMEN.

IN A FEW MOMENTS I WILL VISIT THE "KIZER-ZAHL" (Kaisersaal) AND SIGN YOUR GOLDEN BOOK. FIFTEEN YEARS AGO PRESIDENT JOHN F. KENNEDY SIGNED THIS HISTORIC ROLL, AND HE SAID, "WE ARE PARTNERS IN PEACE -- NOT IN A NARROW BILATERAL CONTEXT, BUT IN A FRAMEWORK OF ATLANTIC PARTNERSHIP."

TODAY THAT PARTNERSHIP IS STRONGER THAN IT HAS EVER BEEN, AND OUR TWO NATIONS ARE UNITED IN AN EVER BROADER ALLIANCE OF MILITARY, ECONOMIC AND POLITICAL PURPOSE.

(--OVER--)(OUR MILITARY PARTNERSHIP.....)

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OUR MILITARY PARTNERSHIP IS EVIDENT. I HAVE COME HERE FROM A VISIT TO BRIGADE 76, WHERE I SPOKE TO GERMAN AND AMERICAN TROOPS AND THEIR FAMILIES. AT YOUR AIRPORT I REVIEWED GERMAN AND AMERICAN AIRCRAFT.

EVERYWHERE IN GERMANY I SEE EVIDENCE OF OUR MUTUAL ENDEAVOR. GERMAN AND AMERICAN TROOPS, WORKING SIDE BY SIDE, ARE TANGIBLE EVIDENCE OF OUR SHARED RESPONSIBILITY AND JOINT COMMITMENT TO THE CONTINUING FREEDOM -- NOT ONLY OF GERMANY AND THE CONTINENT, BUT OF THE UNITED STATES AND ALL ALLIED TERRITORY.

(--NEW CARD--)(OUR ECONOMIC PARTNERSHIP IS...)

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OUR ECONOMIC PARTNERSHIP IS EQUALLY VISIBLE. TOMORROW YOUR
CHANCELLOR AND I WILL JOIN OUR COLLEAGUES FROM THE OTHER MAJOR WESTERN
INDUSTRIAL NATIONS IN BONN.

THE ECONOMIC SUMMIT IS ONE TANGIBLE SIGN OF OUR CONTINUING SEARCH
FOR SOLUTIONS TO AGE-OLD PROBLEMS OF GLOBAL INEQUITY. THE UNITED STATES
AND THE FEDERAL REPUBLIC ATTEND THESE DELIBERATIONS WITH UNITED PURPOSE:
TO LOOK BEYOND NARROW SELF-INTEREST TO THE BROADER WELL-BEING OF ALL
NATIONS.

OUR TWO GREAT AND FREE NATIONS BELIEVE EQUALLY IN OUR OBLIGATION
TO PROMOTE GLOBAL -- NOT JUST NATIONAL -- PROSPERITY.

(--OVER--)(OUR POLITICAL PARTNERSHIP.....)

OUR POLITICAL PARTNERSHIP IS THE BULWARK OF FREEDOM FOR ALL NATIONS
TOGETHER OUR PEOPLE DEMONSTRATE DEMOCRACY IN ACTION -- TWO FREE NATIONS,
ONE WITH AN OLD CULTURE AND A NEW CONSTITUTION, THE OTHER WITH A NEWER
CULTURE AND AN OLDER CONSTITUTION -- BOTH EQUALLY COMMITTED TO THE
VISION OF FREE PEOPLE LIVING AT PEACE UNDER GOVERNMENTS CHOSEN BY
THE PEOPLE.

IN THIS VIBRANT CITY OF CONTRAST AND TRADITION, IN THIS BUILDING
OF SUCH GREAT SIGNIFICANCE TO ALL WHO LOVE LIBERTY, IT IS EASY TO TAKE
OUR FREEDOMS FOR GRANTED.

HERE AT LAST THE IDEALS OF THE "FRAHNK-FOORT ASSEMBLY" (Frankfurt)
ARE REALIZED.

(--NEW CARD--)(SO IT IS A PLEASURE TO BE.....)

SO IT IS A PLEASURE TO BE IN "FRAHNK-FOORT", HOME NOT ONLY OF
THE FIRST GERMAN VISION OF DEMOCRACY, BUT OF GREAT GERMAN
INTELLECTUALS AND MUSICIANS -- HOME OF "GER-TUH" (Goethe), ...OF
"HIN-DIMITT" (Hindemith) AND "HOOMPER-DINK" (Humperdinck);
CRADLE OF THE GREAT HOUSE OF "ROTE-SHILT" (Rothschild).

I WISH I HAD MORE TIME TO EXPLORE YOUR ANCIENT CITY AND BEAUTIFUL
COUNTRYSIDE -- ROSALYNN TELLS ME I WILL MISS THE BEST PART OF THE TRIP BY
NOT JOINING HER AND AMY ON HER RHINE CRUISE FROM "BING-EN" TO "BUN".
(Bingen to Bonn)

SO I HOPE TO COME BACK, MY FRIENDS, TO SEE MORE OF THE "LIFE,
BUSTLE AND MOTION" THAT THOMAS JEFFERSON FOUND IN "FRAHNK-FOORT" IN
1788 -- AND THAT I FIND HERE TODAY !

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PRESIDENT JIMMY CARTER
TOWN HALL MEETING, BERLIN (BEAR-LEAN)
JULY 15, 1978 2:00 P.M.

(3/4 are veterans of Friendship Force/
Minneapolis/St. Paul)

THIS IS MY SECOND VISIT TO "BEAR-LEAN". FIVE YEARS AGO I CAME, AS GOVERNOR OF GEORGIA, AND MY WIFE AND I SAW THE MONUMENTS BY WHICH BERLIN TEACHES ALL VISITORS ABOUT THE BASIC REALITIES OF OUR TIMES.

WE SAW THE WALL, AND WE WORSHIPPED AT THE MEMORIAL CHURCH WHICH EXISTS AS SUCH A SOLEMN REMINDER OF THE TRAGEDY OF THE PAST AND THE HOPEFUL PROMISE OF YOUR FUTURE.

BUT I ALSO EXPERIENCED THE WARMTH AND THE WIT OF YOUR IRREPRESSIBLE, STEADFAST PEOPLE. I KNEW WHEN I LEFT THAT I WOULD SOME DAY WANT TO RETURN.

(--OVER--)(I AM PLEASED TO ENJOY.....)

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I AM PLEASED TO ENJOY THE WARMTH AND FRIENDSHIP OF THIS HALL, BECAUSE A FEW MINUTES AGO I WAS STANDING AT "POTS-DAHMER PLAHTS" (Potsdamer Platz), LOOKING SILENTLY AT THE WALL, A SPECTACLE THAT SO ACCURATELY REFLECTS THE WASTELAND OF THE HUMAN SPIRIT RESPONSIBLE FOR ITS EXISTENCE.

THIS WALL DEMONSTRATES BEYOND THE POWER OF WORDS THE DIFFERENCE BETWEEN THOSE WHO BELIEVE IN INDIVIDUAL HUMAN RIGHTS AND THOSE WHO DO NOT.

I AM THANKFUL THAT THE AGREEMENTS THAT HAVE BEEN REACHED IN RECENT YEARS HAVE DONE SO MUCH TO MAKE LIFE BETTER AND MORE HUMANE FOR BERLINERS, AND ALL OF US IN THIS ROOM MUST CERTAINLY HOPE THAT THE DETENTE WHICH MADE THEM POSSIBLE WILL BE PERMITTED TO CONTINUE AND TO PROGRESS.

(--NEW CARD--)(ALMOST THIRTY YEARS AGO...)

ALMOST THIRTY YEARS AGO, IN THE DARKEST HOURS OF THE AIR LIFT,
PRESIDENT HARRY TRUMAN SAID THAT THE COURAGE DISPLAYED BY THE PEOPLE OF
"BEAR-LEAN" IN THEIR BELEAGUERED OUTPOST IS PROOF TO THE WORLD OF THE
STRENGTH OF THE DEMOCRATIC SPIRIT."

WITH THE HELP OF LUCIUS CLAY AND JOHN J. MCCLOY, PRESIDENT TRUMAN
SHOWED THAT WE WOULD STAND WITH YOU WHEN YOUR LIBERTY WAS IN DOUBT.

AND YEAR AFTER YEAR, AMERICAN LEADERS HAVE REAFFIRMED THEIR
UNWAVERING COMMITMENT TO THE FREEDOM OF YOUR CITY. *We JOIN THE
BRITISH & FRENCH IN THIS CONSTANT PLEDGE.*

(--OVER--)(I AM HONORED TO JOIN THE.....)

I AM HONORED TO JOIN THE CITIZENS OF THIS VITAL AND DYNAMIC
CITY TO DECLARE AGAIN: WHATEVER HAPPENS, "BEAR-LEAN" WILL REMAIN FREE.

AND NOW I WOULD LIKE FOR US TO SPEAK VERY FREELY WITH EACH OTHER,
JUST AS AMERICANS HAVE DONE IN MEETINGS OF THIS SORT THROUGHOUT MY OWN
COUNTRY.

I WILL ANSWER YOUR QUESTIONS TO THE BEST OF MY ABILITY.

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~~Handwritten: Summary of Minister Genscher... Minister Apel... Officers & Men... Ladies & gentlemen...~~
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PRESIDENT JIMMY CARTER
for Preservation Purpose

BRIGADE 76/FRANKFURT -- "FRAHNK-FOORT"
SATURDAY, JULY 15, 1978, 9:30 A.M.

I AM PROUD AND HAPPY TO BE WITH YOU TODAY.

TO ALL OF YOU, I BRING THE GREETINGS AND THE GRATITUDE OF THE
AMERICAN PEOPLE.

I CANNOT THINK OF A NOBLER OR MORE IMPORTANT PURPOSE THAN
THE ONE YOU SERVE HERE.

(--OVER--)(YOU ARE HERE IN DEFENSE OF...)

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YOU ARE HERE IN DEFENSE OF THE MOST VITAL INTERESTS OF ALL THE
COUNTRIES OF THE ATLANTIC ALLIANCE.

ABOVE ALL, AMERICANS AND GERMANS ALIKE, YOU ARE HERE IN DEFENSE
OF FREEDOM.

MORE THAN ECONOMICS -- MORE EVEN THAN THE COMMON THREAT POSED
BY OUR POTENTIAL ADVERSARIES -- IT IS OUR COMMITMENT TO FREEDOM THAT
UNITES US.

(--NEW CARD--)(WE DO NOT ALWAYS LIVE UP....)

WE DO NOT ALWAYS LIVE UP PERFECTLY TO ITS CONCEPTS.

BUT IT IS A CONCRETE REALITY THAT BRINGS MEANING TO OUR LIVES,
AND WE WILL DEFEND OUR FREEDOM HOWEVER WE MUST.

AT THE SAME TIME, WE WILL CONTINUE TO PURSUE THE KIND OF LASTING
PEACE THAT ALL PEOPLE WANT.

FOR THIRTY YEARS, THE MISSION OF N.A.T.O. HAS BEEN TO PREVENT
WAR BY BEING READY TO FIGHT.

(--OVER--)(THAT IS YOUR MISSION TODAY....)

THAT IS YOUR MISSION TODAY.

HUNDREDS OF MILLIONS OF PEOPLE ARE DEPENDING ON YOUR COMBAT
READINESS AND CAPABILITY.

THOSE OF YOU WHO SERVE IN BRIGADE 76 REPRESENT THE MORE THAN
300,000 MEMBERS OF THE UNITED STATES ARMY, NAVY, AIR FORCE AND
MARINE CORPS WHO SERVE IN EUROPE IN SUPPORT OF THE N.A.T.O. ALLIANCE.

(--NEW CARD--)(AS THE NEWEST CONTINGENT.....)

AS THE NEWEST CONTINGENT OF AMERICAN TROOPS ON THIS CONTINENT,
YOU PARTICULARLY SYMBOLIZE YOUR COUNTRY'S INCREASED COMMITMENT TO THE
STRENGTH OF THE ALLIANCE.

THOSE OF YOU WHO SERVE IN ARMORED "BRIG-AH-DE FEART-SANE"
(Armored Brigade 14) REPRESENT THE ARMED FORCES OF THE FEDERAL REPUBLIC,
WHICH SUPPLY MORE THAN HALF THE N.A.T.O. GROUND FORCES AVAILABLE IN
CENTRAL EUROPE.

(--OVER--)(AND TOGETHER, YOUR TWO UNITS....)

AND TOGETHER, YOUR TWO UNITS REPRESENT THE CLOSE COOPERATION AND
COORDINATION THAT IS CRUCIAL TO THE EFFECTIVENESS OF THE ALLIANCE AND
THEREFORE TO THE SECURITY OF OUR COUNTRIES.

YOUR OFFICERS CALL IT "INTEROPERABILITY".

AND AFTER SEEING A DEMONSTRATION OF IT A FEW MINUTES AGO,
I CALL IT "IMPRESSIVE".

(--NEW CARD--)(YOU ARE THE POINT OF.....)

YOU ARE THE POINT OF THE WESTERN SWORD.

THAT SWORD IS SHARP AND TRUE, AND THE PEOPLE AND GOVERNMENT
OF THE UNITED STATES ARE STRIVING TO KEEP IT THAT WAY.

THAT IS WHY WE ARE INTRODUCING IMPROVED EQUIPMENT INTO THE
EUROPEAN THEATER -- EQUIPMENT LIKE THE F-15 AND A-10 AIRCRAFT AND THE
COBRA HELICOPTER GUNSHIP EQUIPPED WITH TOW ANTI-TANK MISSILES.

(--OVER--)(THAT IS WHY WE HAVE INCREASED.....)

THAT IS WHY WE HAVE INCREASED AND REPOSITIONED OUR FORCES HERE.

THAT IS WHY, WITH OUR ALLIES, WE WILL MEET THE FUTURE NEEDS OF
N.A.T.O. THROUGH THE LONG-TERM DEFENSE PROGRAM.

AND THAT IS WHY WE ARE IMPROVING OUR ABILITY TO PROVIDE
REINFORCEMENTS, SHOULD THAT BECOME NECESSARY, THROUGH SUCH STEPS AS
INCREASED STOCKPILING OF WEAPONS AND EQUIPMENT HERE IN EUROPE.

(--NEW CARD--)(THIS MEANS THAT WHEN.....)

THIS MEANS THAT WHEN ADDITIONAL TROOPS GET HERE IN AN EMERGENCY,
THEIR EQUIPMENT IS ALREADY STOCKPILED AND WAITING FOR THEM.

THIS GIVES US MORE FLEXIBILITY AND A FASTER REACTION TIME.

MILITARY SERVICE HAS ALWAYS INVOLVED SACRIFICE, EVEN IN TIMES
OF PEACE, AND ESPECIALLY WHEN THAT SERVICE IS FAR FROM HOME.

IN THIS CONNECTION, I WOULD LIKE TO SAY A FEW WORDS DIRECTLY
TO THE AMERICAN SOLDIERS WHO ARE HERE TODAY.

(--OVER--)(I KNOW THAT MANY OF YOU ARE.....)

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I KNOW THAT MANY OF YOU ARE EXPERIENCING TOUGH FINANCIAL
HARDSHIPS, ESPECIALLY THOSE OF YOU IN THE JUNIOR GRADES WHO HAVE YOUR
FAMILIES WITH YOU.

I CANNOT PROMISE YOU INSTANT AND COMPLETE RELIEF.

BUT I DO WANT TO ASSURE YOU THAT I AM ACUTELY AWARE OF YOUR
PROBLEM.

(--NEW CARD--)(THOSE PROBLEMS ARE CLOSELY RELATED..)

THOSE PROBLEMS ARE CLOSELY RELATED TO THE VALUE OF THE DOLLAR
AND THE OVERALL HEALTH OF THE WORLD ECONOMY.

CHANCELLOR SCHMIDT AND I HAVE BEEN DISCUSSING THESE ISSUES,
AND WE WILL BE DISCUSSING THEM IN DEPTH AT THE ECONOMIC SUMMIT MEETING
TOMORROW AND MONDAY.

BUT WE CANNOT RELY ON LONG-TERM CHANGES IN THE INTERNATIONAL
ECONOMY TO DO THE JOB OF MEETING YOUR IMMEDIATE NEEDS.

(--OVER--)(YOU HAVE NOTICED SOME PROGRESS..)

YOU HAVE NOTICED SOME PROGRESS IN THE PAST FEW MONTHS --
PARTICULARLY THE INCREASE IN ALLOWANCES FOR JUNIOR ENLISTED MEMBERS
WHOSE FAMILIES JOIN YOU HERE IN GERMANY.

THERE HAVE BEEN, AND WILL BE, OTHER IMPROVEMENTS AS WELL.

IN NEXT YEAR'S BUDGET, I HAVE PROPOSED TO THE CONGRESS LARGE
INCREASES IN A VARIETY OF SERVICES RANGING FROM FINANCIAL COUNSELING
TO DENTAL CARE.

(--NEW CARD--)(AND I AM ASKING CONGRESS..)

AND I AM ASKING CONGRESS TO LET THE GOVERNMENT SHOULD THE
FINANCIAL BURDEN OF TRAVEL AND TRANSPORTATION OF GOODS THAT JUNIOR
MEMBERS NOW FACE WHEN YOUR FAMILIES JOIN YOU HERE.

PROBLEMS ASIDE, YOUR SERVICE HERE BRINGS YOU SOME RARE
OPPORTUNITIES.

GERMANY IS A BEAUTIFUL AND HOSPITABLE LAND, AND THIS PART OF
THE RHINE VALLEY HAPPENS TO BE ONE OF ITS MOST BEAUTIFUL SPOTS.

(--OVER--)(PEOPLE COME FROM ALL OVER THE.....)

PEOPLE COME FROM ALL OVER THE WORLD JUST TO SPEND A FEW DAYS HERE.

I HOPE THAT ALL OF YOU WILL TAKE ADVANTAGE OF THIS CHANCE TO
GET TO KNOW GERMANY AND EUROPE IN DEPTH.

YOU ARE HERE AS MEN AND WOMEN WHO ARE MAKING AN INDISPENSIBLE
CONTRIBUTION TO THE SECURITY OF THE LIFE AROUND YOU.

I HOPE YOU WILL BECOME PART OF THAT LIFE AS MUCH AS YOU CAN.

(--NEW CARD--)(I HOPE YOU WILL MAKE....)

I HOPE YOU WILL MAKE GERMAN FRIENDS -- BOTH AMONG THE CIVILIAN
POPULATION AND AMONG YOUR COMRADES IN ARMS.

BEGIN TO LEARN THE LANGUAGE, AND SOMETHING ABOUT THE WAY OF LIFE
OF THE GERMAN PEOPLE.

IT WILL GIVE YOU A NEW PERSPECTIVE ON OUR OWN COUNTRY AND OUR
WAY OF LIFE AS WELL.

(--OVER--)(AS PRESIDENT, AS COMMANDER-IN-CHIEF,...)

AS PRESIDENT, AS COMMANDER-IN-CHIEF OF U.S. MILITARY FORCES,
I DEEPLY APPRECIATE THE WORK YOU ARE DOING HERE.

THAT GOES FOR ALL OF YOU -- GERMANS AS WELL AS AMERICANS --
AND FOR YOUR FAMILIES, TOO.

I AM GLAD TO HAVE THIS CHANCE TO VISIT WITH YOU,.....AND I AM
PROUD OF YOUR PATRIOTISM AND YOUR COURAGE.

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STATEMENT FOR BRIGADE 76 AND PANZERBRIGADE 14 IN WEISBADEN

I'm proud and happy to be with you today. To all
of you, I bring the gratitude of the American people.

I can't think of a nobler or more important purpose
than the one you serve here. You are here in defense
of the territorial integrity of the Federal Republic.
You are here in defense of the most vital interests
of all the countries of the Atlantic alliance. Above
all, Americans and Germans alike, you are here in defense
of an idea of freedom. More than economics -- more even
than the common threat posed by our potential adversaries --
that idea of freedom is what unites us. We don't always
live up to it perfectly. But it is a concrete reality
that brings meaning to our lives, and we will defend it.

At the same time, we will continue to pursue the
kind of lasting peace that all people want. For thirty

years, the mission of NATO has been to prevent war by being ready to fight. That is your mission today.

Hundreds of millions of people are depending on your readiness and your professionalism.

Those of you who serve in Brigade 76 represent the more than 300,000 members of the United States Army, Navy, Air Force and Marine Corps who serve in Europe in support of the NATO Alliance. And as the newest American Army unit on this continent, you particularly symbolize your country's increased commitment to the strength of the Alliance.

Those of you who serve in Armor Brigade 14 represent the armed forces of the Federal Republic, which supply half the NATO ground forces available in Central Europe.

And together, your two units represent the close cooperation and coordination that makes the Alliance

effective. Your officers call it "interoperability."

And after seeing a demonstration of it a few minutes ago, I call it impressive.

You are the point of the Western sword. That sword is sharp and true, and the people and government of the United States are striving to keep it that way.

That is why we are increasing and repositioning our forces here, introducing improved equipment into the European theater, and looking to the future needs of NATO through the Long-Term Defense Program.

Beyond military hardware and technology, though, our security depends on people -- on the morale and dedication of our troops.

Military service has always involved sacrifice, even in times of peace, and especially when that service is far from home. In this connection, I'd like to say a few words directly to the American soldiers who are here today.

I know that many of you are experiencing financial hardships. The depreciation of the dollar has squeezed the family budgets of all Americans stationed here. It has been especially tough on junior enlisted members who have brought their families over at their own expense.

I wish I could promise you instant relief. I cannot. But I do want to assure you that I am acutely aware of your problems.

Those problems are closely related to German-American economic relationships and to the overall health of the world economy. Chancellor Schmidt and I have been discussing these issues, and we will be discussing them in depth at the economic summit meeting tomorrow and Monday.

But we cannot rely on long-term changes in the international economy to do the job of meeting your immediate needs.

I'm sure you have noticed some progress in the past few months -- particularly the increase in allowances for those in the junior grades whose families join them here in Germany.

There have been, and will be, other improvements as well. In next year's budget, I have proposed large increases in a variety of services ranging from financial counseling to dental care. And I am asking Congress to let the government shoulder the financial burden of travel and transportation of goods that junior members now face when they bring their families overseas.

Problems aside, your service here brings you some rare opportunities. Germany is a beautiful and hospitable land, and this part of the Rhine Valley happens to be one of its most beautiful spots. People come from all over the world just to spend a few days here.

I hope that all of you will take advantage of this

chance to get to know Germany and Europe in depth. You are here not as tourists, but as men and women who are making an indispensable contribution to the security of the life around you. I hope you will become part of that life as much as you can -- and I don't mean just the beer, though that's a start. I urge you to make German friends -- both among the civilian population and among your comrades in arms. Pick up a bit of the language, and learn something about the way of life of the German people. It will give you a new perspective on our own country and way of life as well.

As President, as Commander-in-Chief of U.S. forces, I deeply appreciate the work you are doing here. That goes for all of you, Germans as well as Americans, and for your families, too. I'm glad to have this chance to visit with you, and I'm proud of you.

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PRESIDENT JIMMY CARTER
AIRLIFT MEMORIAL, BERLIN ("BEAR-LEAN")
JULY 15, 1978, 2:00 P.M.

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THIRTY YEARS AGO THIS WEEK, PRESIDENT HARRY TRUMAN WAS RENOMINATED BY THE DEMOCRATIC PARTY;....THE FIRST MARSHALL PLAN LOAN FOR EUROPE WAS ANNOUNCED;....AND IN THIS SQUARE, ONE SOUND WAS HEARD ABOVE ALL OTHERS: THE SOUND OF ALLIED AIRPLANES LANDING AT THIS TERMINAL BEHIND ME -- ONE EVERY THREE-AND-ONE-HALF MINUTES, CARRYING SUPPLIES FOR THE FREE PEOPLE OF "BEAR-LEAN". (Berlin)

(--OVER--)(THAT WAS THE TIME WHEN)

JACK BENNETT - MILLER HAYS - US
ROY JENKINS - KEITH NEUBURN - GBR

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THAT WAS THE TIME WHEN PEOPLE EVERYWHERE BEGAN TO UNDERSTAND THAT THE DISPUTE OVER "BEAR-LEAN" WAS NOT A LOCAL ISSUE, BUT A GREAT DEFENSE OF FREEDOM AND DEMOCRACY WITH PERMANENT WORLDWIDE INTEREST AND SIGNIFICANCE.

THAT WAS THE WEEK WHEN THE PEOPLE OF "BEAR-LEAN" GATHERED IN MASS RALLIES TO CHEER "AIRNST ROYTER" (Ernst Reuter) AND OTHER BRAVE LEADERS WHO DECLARED THEIR WILLINGNESS TO STAND FAST FOR A BETTER, PEACEFUL, DEMOCRATIC WORLD.

THAT WAS THE WEEK WHEN THE PEOPLE OF THE WESTERN ZONES OF GERMANY ADDED THEIR RESOURCES TO THE ALLIED AIRLIFT AND SENT TENS OF THOUSANDS OF GIFT PARCELS TO THEIR COUNTRYMEN IN "BEAR-LEAN".

(--NEW CARD--)(THAT WAS THE WEEK WHEN.....)

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THE WEEK WHEN GERMAN COMMUNISTS VISITED SHOPS IN THE WESTERN PART OF THIS CITY AND WARNED THE OWNERS THAT UNLESS THEY JOINED THE PARTY THEY WOULD LOSE THEIR SHOPS WHEN THE WESTERN POWERS LEFT BERLIN.

AND THAT WAS THE WEEK WHEN THE SOVIET UNION RESPONDED TO OUR DEMAND TO END THE BLOCKAGE WITH THE ASSERTION, "BEAR-LEAN" (Berlin) IS THE CENTER OF THE SOVIET ZONE AND IS PART OF THAT ZONE."

WITH THE COURAGE OF "BEAR-LEAN-ER" (Berliners) AND THE DETERMINATION OF THE PEOPLE OF THE WEST, WE GAVE THE ANSWER: "BEAR-LEAN BLIGH-P-T FRY." "BERLIN STAYS FREE." (Berlin bleibt frei.)

(--OVER--)(I AM SOBERED BUT PROUD TO BE.....)

I AM SOBERED BUT PROUD TO BE WITH YOU TODAY, AT THIS HISTORIC TIME, AND TO PAY MY RESPECTS TO THE 78 AMERICANS, BRITONS AND GERMANS WHO LOST THEIR LIVES IN THE AIR LIFT AND ARE HONORED BY THIS SIMPLE AND ELOQUENT MEMORIAL.

THIS EFFORT WHICH IT COMMEMORATES WAS THE BEGINNING OF THE COMMITMENTS, INCLUDING THE ATLANTIC ALLIANCE, WHICH HAVE TO THIS DAY MAINTAINED THE FREEDOM AND SECURITY OF "BEAR-LEAN", THE FEDERAL REPUBLIC, WESTERN EUROPE, AND THE UNITED STATES.

FIVE AMERICAN PRESIDENTS HAVE UPHELD THE COMMITMENTS THAT HARRY TRUMAN MADE IN THOSE CRUCIAL TIMES, AND TODAY I TELL YOU THAT MY NATION UPHOLDS THEM STILL. *STILL UPHOLDS THIS COMMITMENT TO FREEDOM!* (---NEW CARD---)(I HAVE SPENT THIS MORNING.....)

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I HAVE SPENT THIS MORNING VISITING TROOPS, BOTH GERMAN AND AMERICAN, WHO ARE STATIONED IN THE FEDERAL REPUBLIC AS PART OF THE NATO ALLIANCE.

DURING MY VISIT TO THE FEDERAL REPUBLIC I HAVE SEEN FOR MYSELF THE STRENGTH OF THE TIES THAT BIND THE FEDERAL REPUBLIC AND THE UNITED STATES.

AND HERE IN "BEAR-LEAN" THE PRESENCE OF OUR TROOPS AND THE READINESS OF "TEMPLE-HÖFE" (Templehof) BOTH BEAR WITNESS TO OUR UNSHAKEABLE DEVOTION TO THE PEOPLE OF THIS GREAT CITY.

"BEAR-LEAN" AND THE QUADRIPARTITE AGREEMENTS ARE SYMBOLS, NOT ONLY OF VALUES THAT CAN NEVER BE COMPROMISED OR NEGOTIATED, BUT ALSO OF PRACTICAL IMPROVEMENTS THAT CAN BE ACHIEVED BY THOSE WHO ARE WILLING PATIENTLY TO NEGOTIATE.

(--OVER--)(WHEN THE "BEAR-LEAN.....")

WHEN THE "BEAR-LEAN" BLOCKADE WAS LIFTED IN 1949, GOVERNING MAYOR "ROY-TER" (Reuter) REFLECTED THAT "....MUCH CAN BE GAINED BY PEACEFUL MEANS IF ONE HAS A CLEAR UNDERSTANDING OF WHAT IS POLITICALLY POSSIBLE AND IF ONE HAS A FIRM WILL POLITICALLY."

THE HUMAN BENEFITS THAT HAVE BRIGHTENED THE LIVES OF "BEAR-LEAN-ER" (Berliners),WEST AND EAST,AS A RESULT OF THE 1971 QUADRIPARTITE AGREEMENT ARE PROOF OF WHAT CAN BE ACCOMPLISHED THROUGH DETENTE.

LOOKING BACK OVER THE YEARS, WE CAN LEARN FROM THE EXPERIENCE OF "BEAR-LEAN" THE CONDITIONS FOR MAINTAINING FREEDOM AND FOR REDUCING INTERNATIONAL TENSION BY NEGOTIATION.

(--NEW CARD--)(FIRST, WE MUST BE.....)

-- FIRST, WE MUST BE DETERMINED TO MAINTAIN OUR ESSENTIAL
INTERESTS AND OBJECTIVES. AMONG THESE ARE THE BASIC HUMAN RIGHTS TO
WHICH THE UNITED STATES IS COMMITTED.
I will ALWAYS be

-- SECOND, THOSE WHOSE HUMAN RIGHTS ARE TO BE DEFENDED MUST
THEMSELVES BE COMMITTED TO FREEDOM, AS "BEAR-LEAN-ER" HAVE SO AMPLY
PROVEN.

-- THIRD, WE MUST BE WILLING TO UNDERSTAND THE PERSPECTIVE OF
OTHERS IN THE COURSE OF NEGOTIATING AGREEMENTS WHICH MAINTAIN OUR OWN
INTERESTS.

IN THE THIRTY YEARS THAT HAVE ELAPSED SINCE THIS AIR LIFT
BEGAN, "BEAR-LEAN-ER" AND AMERICANS HAVE GROWN EVER CLOSER TOGETHER.

(--OVER--)(EVERY AMERICAN WHO VISITS HERE.....)

EVERY AMERICAN WHO VISITS HERE FINDS NOT ONLY ALLIES IN THE CAUSE
OF FREEDOM, BUT PERSONAL FRIENDS AS WELL.

WE HAVE NOT FORGOTTEN THE AID YOU SENT TO AMERICANS SUFFERING FROM
THE COLD WINTER EARLY LAST YEAR, AND WE WILL CONTINUE TO PRESERVE, THROUGH
SUCH INSTRUMENTS AS THE AIR LIFT MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIPS, CLOSE CONTACT
BETWEEN GENERATIONS THAT HAD NOT YET BEEN BORN WHEN OUR FATES WERE FIRST
BONDED TOGETHER. (1.3 million marks/about \$600,000)

THE BIBLE SAYS: "A CITY THAT IS SET ON A HILL CANNOT BE HID."
(MATT. 5:14)

(--NEW CARD--)(WHAT HAS BEEN TRUE OF MY OWN.....)

WHAT HAS BEEN TRUE OF MY OWN LAND FOR THREE-AND-A-HALF CENTURIES
IS EQUALLY TRUE OF "BEAR-LEAN".

AS A CITY OF HUMAN FREEDOM, HUMAN HOPE, AND HUMAN RIGHTS,
"BEAR-LEAN" IS A LIGHT TO THE WORLD;....A CITY ON A HILL --
IT CANNOT BE HIDDEN; THE EYES OF ALL PEOPLE ARE UPON YOU.

"VAHSS IMMER ZIGH, BEAR-LEAN BLIGHP-T FRY."

(Was immer sei, Berlin bleibt frei)

(NO MATTER WHAT HAPPENS, BERLIN WILL STAY FREE!)

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THE WHITE HOUSE
WASHINGTON

rick/patti--

these were left over from
president's things after
economic summit trip....
don't know if you want them
or not....or want to return
them to whoever.

--susan

Draft Arrival Statement

20 May

(I have been) far from home during these five days in Germany,
(but) I have been dealing with two issues that very directly affect
the well-being of all our people.

One is the strength and freedom of our Western alliance.

Three days ago, I told the people of ^{Berlin, Germany} ~~Bonn~~ that their security
was ours, and ours theirs --- because the defense of the United
States is based on the strength of our NATO allies. There are
more than 300,000 Americans now serving in Europe, often at
great personal cost, to carry out that obligation. I met with
a few of them, and I saw that they understood very clearly the
reason for their sacrifice and service. They are not just there
to defend territory --- they are defending the very spirit of
freedom (that gives the West its meaning.)

I saw that spirit when I went to Berlin. I will never
forget it. That free city is an island of liberty that we

and our allies are determined to preserve. We define ourselves by the values we take risks to defend, and we can be proud of those we have chosen to defend in Europe. In my talks with Chancellor Schmidt of Germany, we agreed on ways to make that defense even stronger.

The other great issue was the economic interdependence of the world, which I discussed with the leaders of six other nations at the Economic Summit.

23 ~~recommends more~~
This was a basic part of our continuing effort to strengthen the American economy. I went to these meetings determined to bring more jobs, less inflation, and a better standard of living to our people. The specific pledges made in the last two days bring us much closer^r to those goals.

From Germany and Japan, and others, we got promises that will mean more jobs for American workers. With all our trading partners, we reached agreements that will mean lower prices.

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for consumers and more markets for American goods.

We made this progress because all of us agreed on a ^{concerted} ~~coordinated~~ plan of action, toward common goals. That plan will require action from us too --- and I told the other leaders today that I take our obligations to fight inflation and reduce oil imports very seriously. (As a result of these meetings, other nations are willing to ^{do their part.} ~~help us~~, Now it is up to us to ^{do ours.} ~~help ourselves.~~)

Sometimes we can see ourselves more clearly from far away.

As I come home from this trip, I am reminded of several things --- that ^{priceless 2B} freedom is inseparable; that economic interdependence is a fact; and that our welfare at home depends on partnership with our allies overseas.

^{2B-And it is a good home.}
Now it's good to be home. (I've left the country in good hands with Fritz Mondale.) I've been proud to represent you, and I am ^{glad} ~~proud~~ to be ^{home} ~~among you once again~~.

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Tuesday - July 18, 1978

Mr. President,

1. I attach the budget figures you asked for.
2. I also attach the only bilateral trade figures I have with me on the plane: for US-Japanese & US-EC trade.
3. I have asked that Washington phone me bilateral trade figures for Germany, France, Britain, & Italy. I will pass them to you as soon as you arrive.

Trade Balances

1 US-EC

--1979: + \$3.1 billion

--1975: + \$6.3 billion

--1976: + \$7.6 billion

--1977: + \$4.4 billion

2. US-Japan

--1974: - \$1.6 billion

--1975: - \$1.7 billion

--1976: - \$5.4 billion

--1977: - \$8.1 billion

US Budget Deficit

FY 76: \$66 billion

FY 77: \$45 billion

(estimated) FY 78: \$51.3 billion, which is down from last \$62 billion

(estimated) FY 79: \$48.5 billion, which is down from last \$61 billion

FY 80: \$44 billion (present published projection)

\$35-37 billion (your internal target)